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CHARGED PARTICLES IN A  
PATTERNED BEAM IN A CHARGED-  
PARTICLE-BEAM  
MICROLITHOGRAPHY SYSTEM

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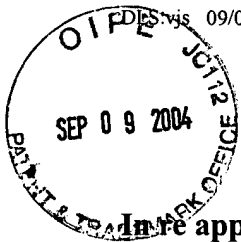
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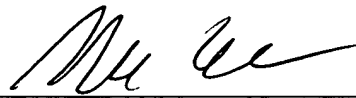
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